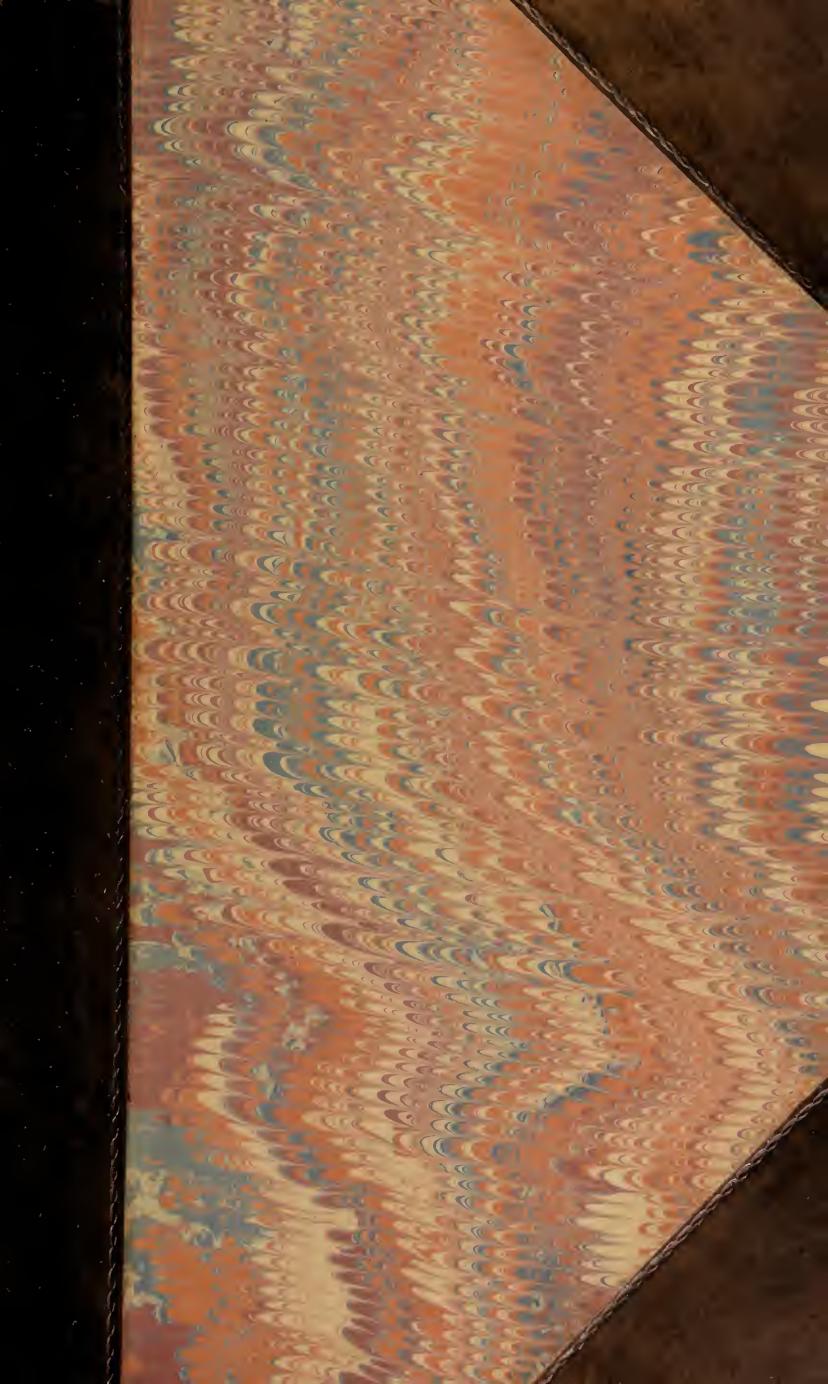


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From HARRY BILSS RESEARCH Found.
7/25/1998

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STANDARD CLASSIFICATION

- FAIR About half of detail and lettering of both obverse and reverse, including clear date must show.
- VERY FAIR Practically all of the detail and lettering must be clear, although faint areas are to be expected.
- GOOD The date and all of the detail and lettering must be very clear. The general relief may be well worn down.
- VERY GOOD Everything must be boldly clear, but the sharpness may be largely gone. Only part of word Liberty must show, although on most types full Liberty will show.
- FINE All of the design and all inscriptions must be sharp. Wear is appreciable only on the high surfaces.
- VERY FINE All the detail is in sharp relief and only the highest surfaces may show any wear.
- **EXTREMELY FINE** Only the slightest trace of circulation, or of rubbing, is to be seen on the high points.
- UNCIRCULATED Free from any evidence of circulation or mis-handling.
- PROOF Specially struck from polished dies with unusual sharpness.





25. Hays, W.W., Varieties of Cents of 1794 121. Sheldon, W.H., Early American Cents.



Early 4.S. Coins Bar Cent

THE BAR CENT

The Bar Cent is undated and of uncertain origin.

It has thirteen parallel and disconnected bars on one side. On the other

side is the large Romas USA monogram.

The significance of the design is clearly defined by its extreme simplicity. The separate thirteen states (bars) unite into a single status as symbolized

by the interlocking letters (USA).

This coin is believed to have been issued at the same time as the Nova Constellatio coppers by Thomas Wyon at Birmingham, England, for America. It first circulated in New York during November, 1785. The design was supposedly copied from an old Continental button.

From Yeomans
1942 Book.

Very Scarce.





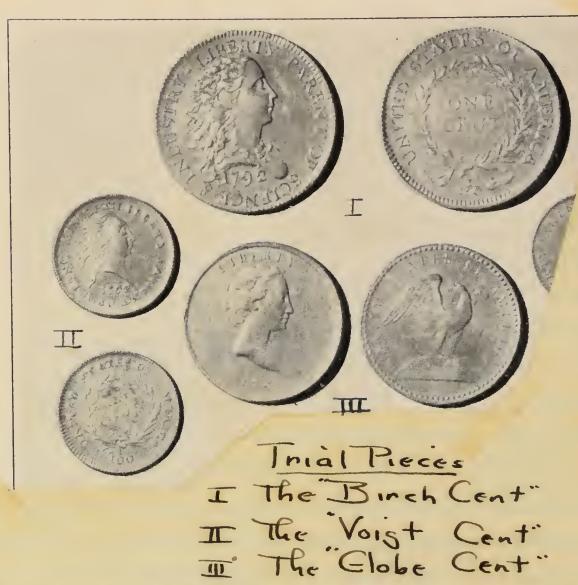
Good Fine Unc. \$7.50 \$10.00 \$30.00

NEVER Had one.



U.S. Lange Cents 1787-92 +1785

Authorized U.S. Comage -The Fugios" and the Pattern Cents"



The above were not struck non authorized for circulation.

Colonial Fugio Cent 1787





Struck in Silver
-Uncirculated Purchased from Chell-Frost 1947

THE FUGIO CENTS

Common





Good Fine 1787 Cent, STATES UNITED (At Sides of Circle) \$1.00 \$2.00

Very





From Yeomans
1947 Book
Showing the
several
major varieties of this
first authorized cent
for the 4.5.

1787 Cent (Pattern), AMERICAN CONGRESS (Copper) -

1787 Cent UNITED STATES (At Top and Bottom) Club Rays

Good \$1.50

Fine \$3.00

Unc. \$7.00









1787 Cent UNITED STATES (At Sides of Circle)

Good \$2.50

Fine Unc. \$4.00 \$10.00

The Fusio Cents

THE FUGIO CENTS

The first coins issued by authority of the United States were the "Fugio" cents. Entries in the Journal of Congress supply interesting information about

proceedings relating to this coinage.

"Saturday, April 21, 1787....

"That the board of treasury be authorized to contract for three hundred tons of copper coin of the federal standard, agreeable to the proposition of

Mr. James Jarvis, That it be coined at the expense of the contractor, etc."
On Friday, July 6, 1787, there was "Resolved, that the board of treasury direct the contractor for the copper coinage to stamp on one side of each piece the following device, viz: thirteen circles linked together, a small circle in the middle, with the words 'United States,' round it; and in the centre, the words 'We are one'; on the other side of the same piece the following device, viz: a dial with the hours expressed on the face of it; a meridian sun above on one side of which is the word 'Fugio,' and on the other the year in figures '1787' below the dial, the words 'Mind Your Business.'"

The legends have been credited to Benjamin Franklin by many, and the

coin, as a consequence, has been referred to as the Franklin Cent.
These cents were coined in New Haven, Conn., and it has been suggested,
also in New York City, Rupert, Vt. and elsewhere. The dies were made by Abel Buel of New Haven.

There are several variations in the dies, particularly the relative positions of the words UNITED and STATES. Patterns follow the same general description but have AMERICAN CONGRESS on the circular label.





1787 Cent UNITED above, STATES below

Unc....\$100.00

From Ye 1947 J

Washington Cent 1791





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"Large Fagle"

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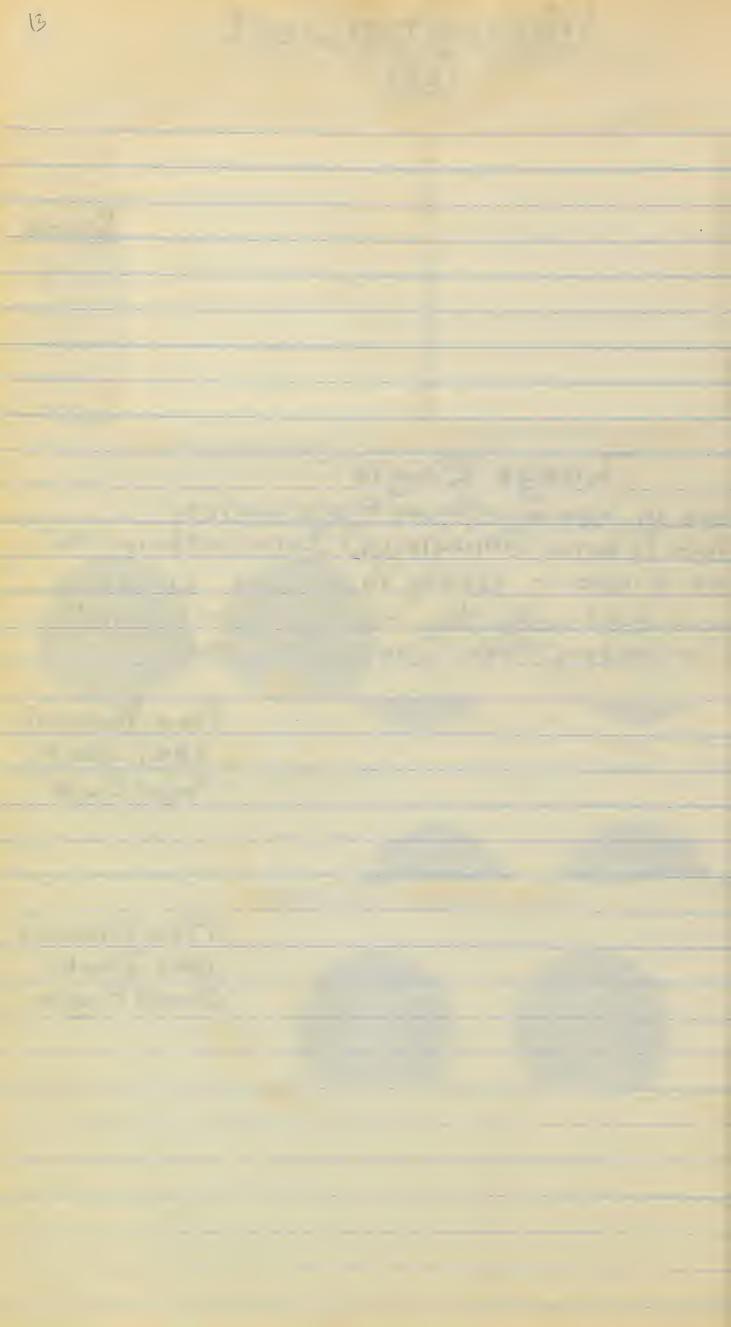


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1791 Cent Small Eagle Good Fine \$2.50 \$5.00 \$ From Yeoman's 1947 Book Small Eagle.



Washington Cent 1792



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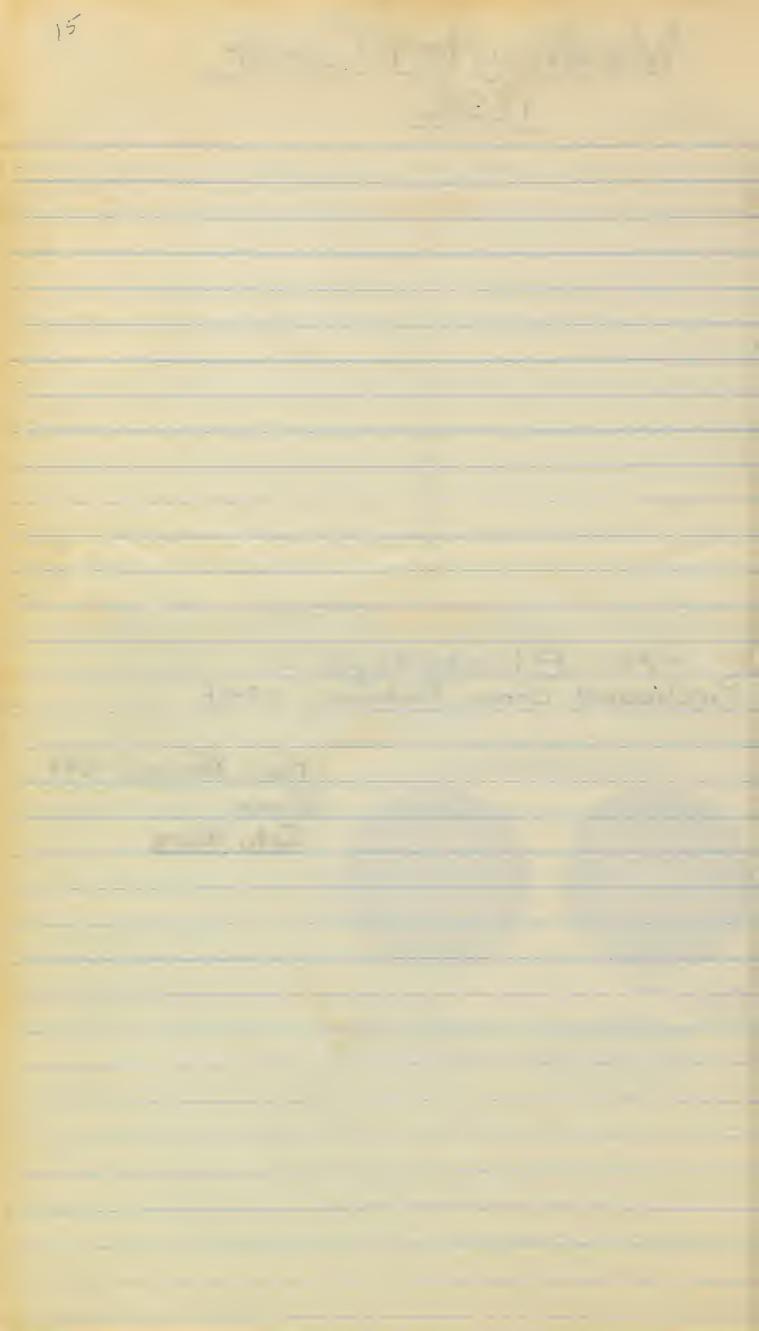
WASHINGTON PIECES





From Yeoman's 1947 Book. Extr. Rare

agle Cent, Copper..



First U.S. Mint | ssues 1792 Birch Cent





- An Electrotype -- Purchased from Romano - Original is extremely

FIRST UNITED STATES MINT ISSUES

Various devices were proposed for our coins just preceeding the establishment of the mint.

Hamilton, in January 1791, in his long report to the House on questions of finance, said "The eagle is not a very expressive or apt appellation for the largest gold piece, but nothing better appears,"and "The devices of the coins are far from being matters of indifference, as they may be made the vehicles of useful impressions. They ought therefore to be emblematical but without losing sight of simplicity."

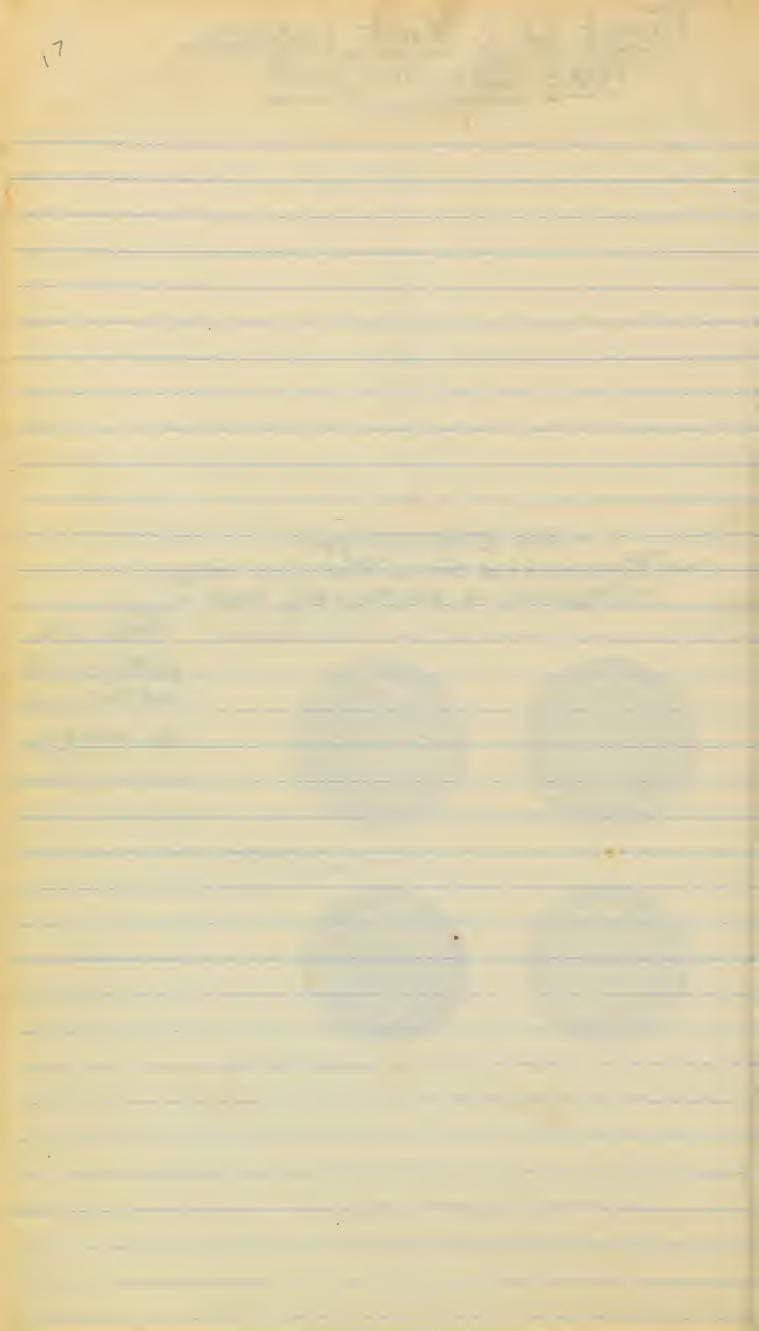
Many members of the House favored a representation of the president's head on the obverse of each coin. Others considered the idea a monarchial practice and it was wisely argued that, "However well pleased they might be with the head of the great man now their president, they may have no reason to be pleased with some of his successors." Washington is believed to have expressed disapproval of the use of his portrait on our coins.

The majority considered a figure emblematic of Liberty more appropriate and the Senate finally concurred in this opinion.

Thomas Birch, about whom very little is known, was an engraver employed at designing proposed devices for our coins. He engraved the dies for the lisme and half-disme. He has also been associated with a large copper cent of unusual design, which is known as the Birch Cent. One variety shows his name at the truncation of the bust. Another variety omits the name. The interesting legends make these pieces unique in our American series: on the obverse, LIBERTY PARENT OF SCIENCE & INDUSTRY and on the edge TO BE ESTEEMED BE USEFUL.

Henry Voigt, first chief-coiner of the mint, prepared a similar, small-sized copper cent bearing the foregoing obverse legend. These dies were stamped onto a silver center planchet as well as a piece without the silver plug.

This is a pattern and not for use as money.



United States Large Cents

-1793 -

This was the first year of our author ized Mint cents. According to records 110,512 were minted-probably some of these bore the date 1794, as all of the 93's are very hard to come by.
There are three district types for this

year (a) The Chain on Link Cent

(b) The Wreath or Single Bow Cent (c) The hiberty Cap or French Head Cent. The last is the rarest as a type.

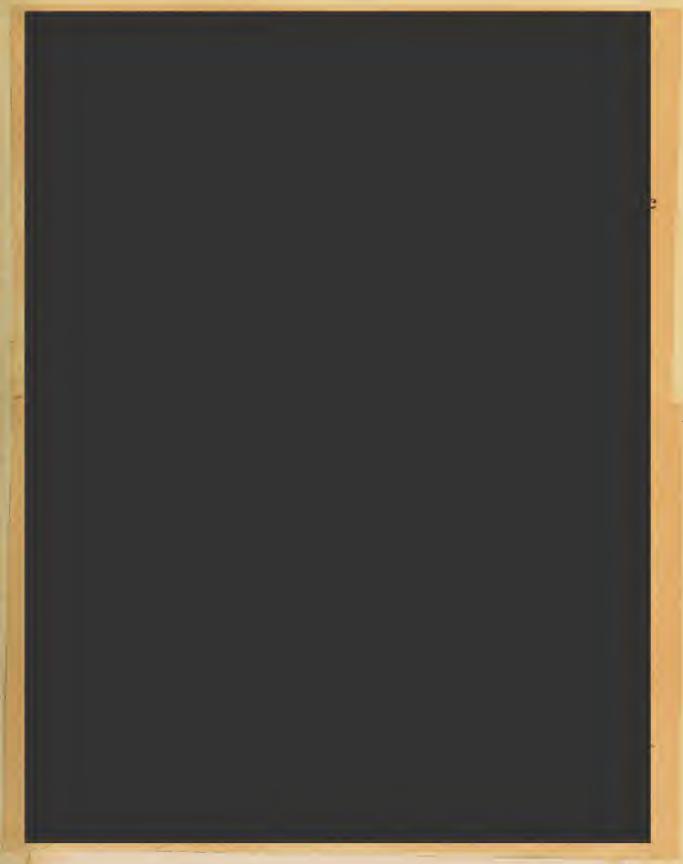


The Cents of 1793

of the three 93 types, and very few fine on better specimens exist. This type has 3 obverses and 2 reverses; - 5 Varieties The obverses are easily identified by die breaks and the reverses by the leaf grouping. These coins are much sought after in any condition, and estimates down to as low as 150 minted hars been made. This cent comes rather weakly struck and often comes offcenter. It is the only year with a border of beads (varying on var-leties) All hars lettered edges "ONE HUN dred for a DOLLAR; Struck on planchets 27-30 mm; hib. Cup design continued to 1796 Many counterfeits exist, the most famous being the Smith Counterfeits" Heads in these fakes are in low releif and outlines oppear ragged and the field wush. Electros can easily be detected from edge showing union of obv + rev.

Amorica - Head with exasserated mede muscles -cartobust point. W * Amorca - Periods after Liberty and Date. Ameri. Head with exaggerated neck muscle- car to point. W Thin heaves, single stem, approx WNE; Rer: Berries left stem pointbet Ous W Strawberry Sprig - Rev. ONE CENT (normal or low) center wreath C Strawberry Sprig - Revione Cent high above center of wreath C Broad leaves in sprig. Central leaf Nother slightly Not Exw. Namouleaves, two right leaves on separate stem. stem pointo Usa. Obv: Same: Rev. Berries on lest branch point directly to a Obr: Perf. Die: Revi-Loft branck 14 leans 4 pairs, six single. Y in hiberty even with hair line (only instance of this. Obv: Same: Rev: heft branch 14 leaves 5 pairs, 4 single America - Only Vide Date - No Periods - Neck Normal. Obv: Same; Rev. Bot. leaves of wreath point to N and C Obv: Same; Rev: Bot leaves of wreath point to Nand A Spris leave NyNE, E, only instance of this Identifying Features Extremely hange hiBERTY and date -1793 Cent Ameri. Very Wide Date. America - Very Wide Date. None 38 not 2 2 2 3

United States Lange Cents 1793



THE 1793 CHAIN OR LINK CENT

The dies for the first type cent were believed to have been cut by Jean Pierre Droz, a Swiss.

The Boston Argus of March 26, 1793, contains the following note: "The American Cents (says a letter from Newark) do not answer our expectations. The chain on the reverse is but a bad omen for Liberty, and Liberty herself appears to be in a fright...."

Comments similar to the above were believed responsible for the change of type to the wreath device on the reverse.

There are 5 varieties of Chain Cents Obv. and 2 Rev. combinations. Crosby's -Rev. proved to be an altered coin.



Smith Counterfeits





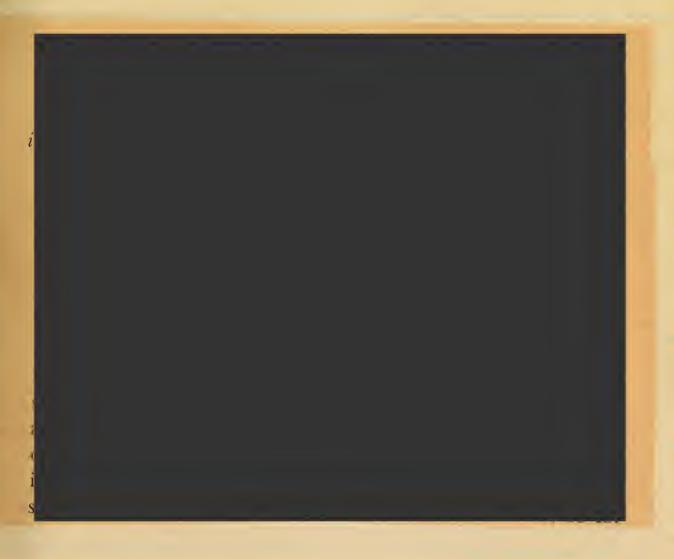


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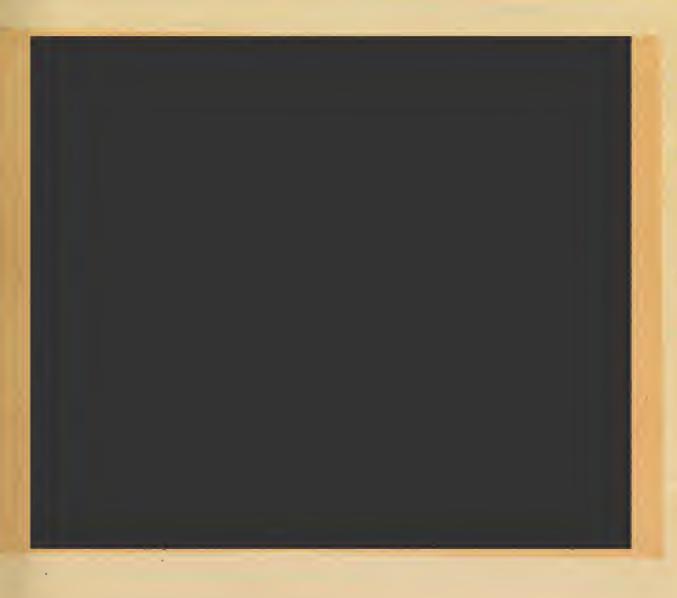


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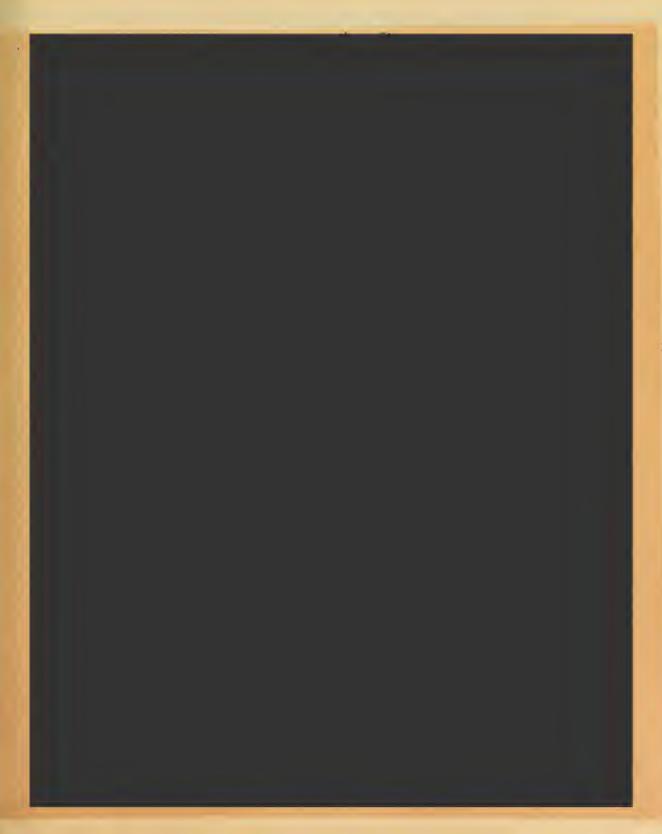




U.S. Large Cents -1793-



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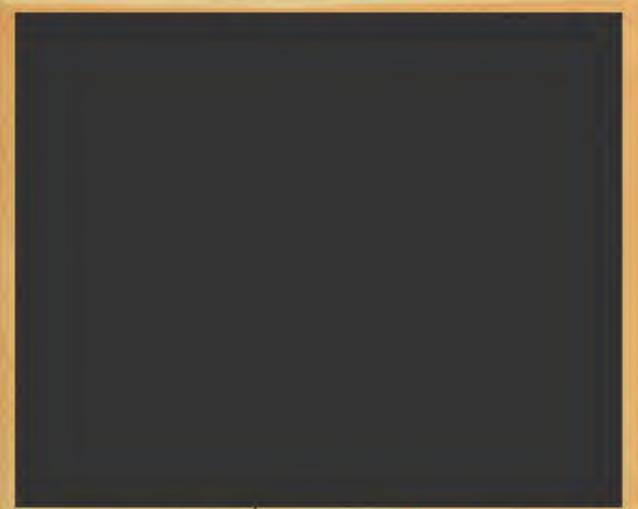
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THE WREATH CENTS OF 1793

These cents might be more easily identified if they were called single-bow Wreath Cents. The Liberty Cap Cents also have wreaths but the stems are tied with a double bow knot. There are other differences to be seen on the Wreath type cents such as a bolder relief to the head of liberty, more loosely flowing hair and a three-leaf sprig above the date. Some types have the vine and bars, and one variety has ONE HUNDRED FOR A DOLLAR on the edge.

There are eleven varieties of this type. 7 Obv + 7 Rev dies.

- 1793 -The Strawberry Cents





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U.S. Large Cents -1793-



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One of 3 known is in ANS Museum. 10 ne was sold to Maine Woman for \$2750:



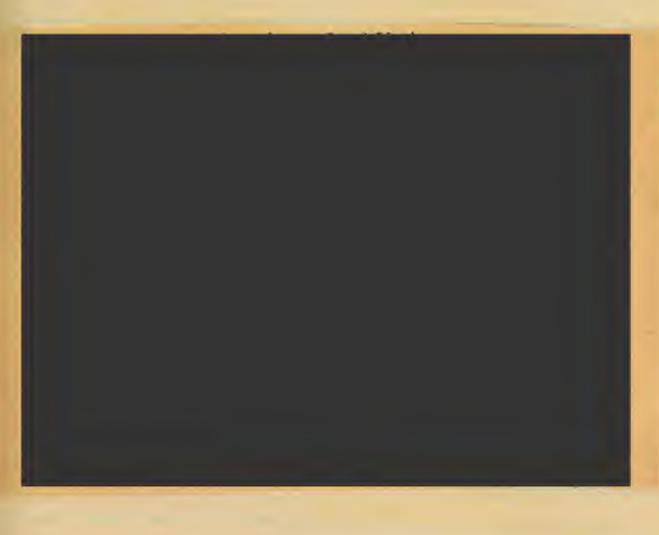
The Exceedingly Rare 1793 Strawberry Leaf Cent 6/49

1793 Strawberry Wreath Large Cent, Crosby 5-E, sometimes called "Laurel-Blossom" or "Clover Leaf." Mr. Crosby contends that it was intended to represent a sprig of three leaves and a boll of cotton. This is one of the outstanding rarities in the United States series and it was regrettable that of the six specimens, none are in choice condition. The finest known is in a New England collection. It is in Fine condition and was purchased from me at a record price for a copper coin at \$2,750.00. In 1941 I sold another specimen to a prominent Cincinnati collector in About good condition for \$1,250.00. This is mentioned to indicate the rarity and value of this coin.

This Strawberry Wreath Cent has been examined by a number of Large Cent specialists and there is no question as to its authenticity. The obverse is Good with all the design and date readable. It is dark and has a rough, slightly eroded surface. The reverse is Very good and does not show the light corrosion as on the obverse. I consider this the third or fourth best specimen known and believe it should bring near the estimate of \$2,500.00 which I have placed on it. NOTE: The photograph of this coin has been enlarged to show greater detail.



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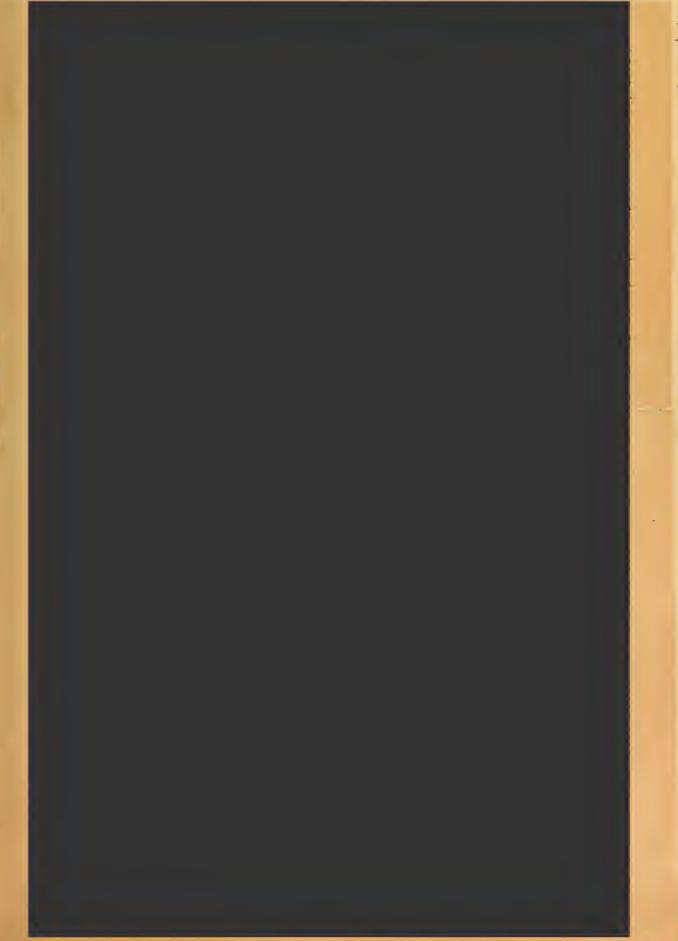
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Original Crosby Specimen.

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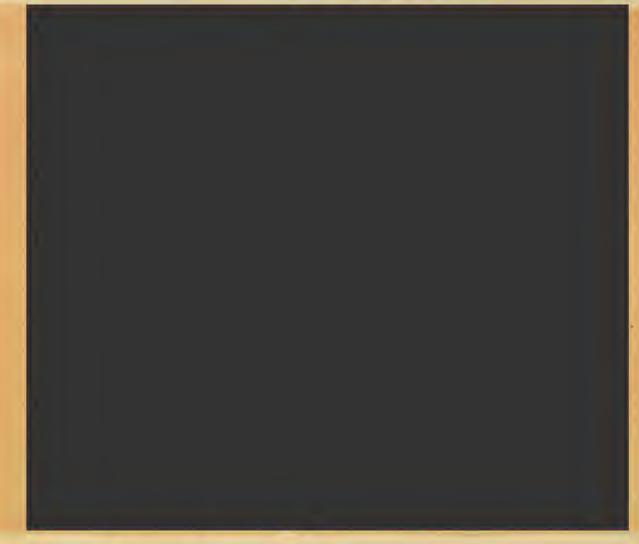


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11. S. Large Cents 1793

D-C-8-F S-8-F





Original Crosby Specimen.

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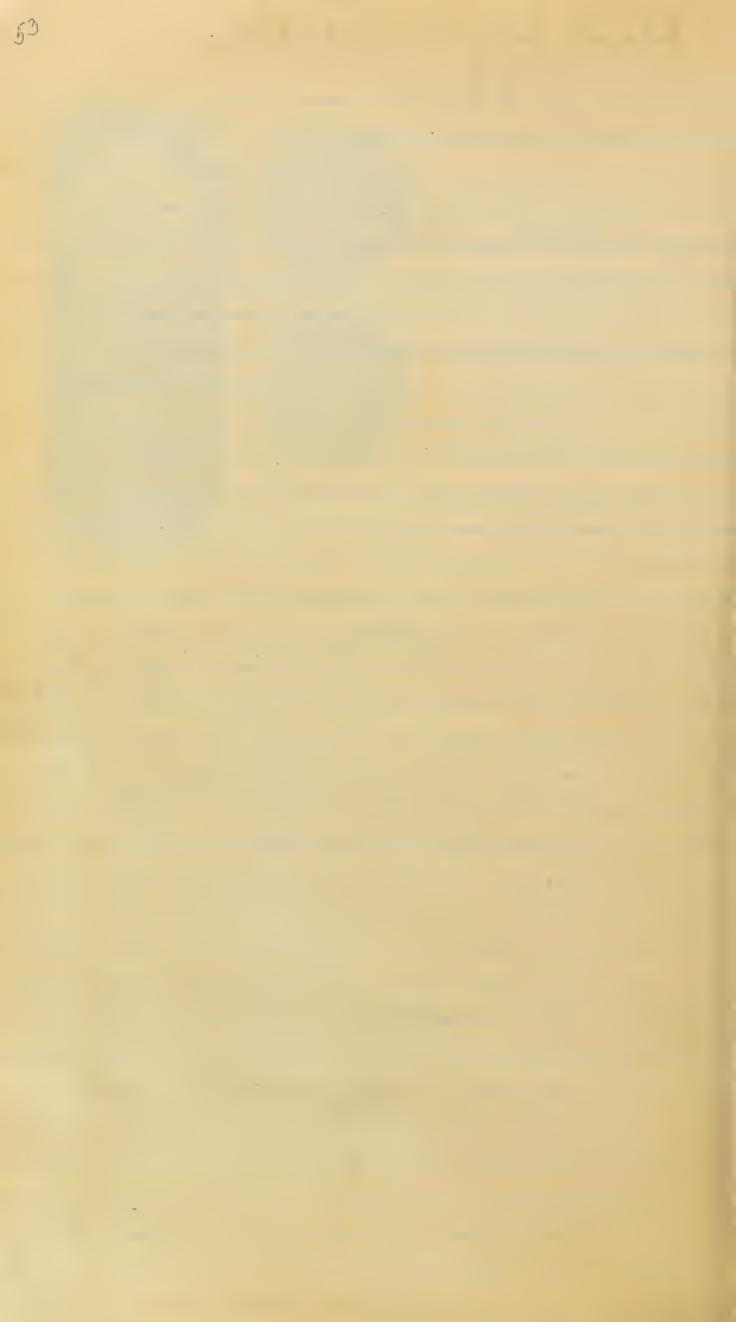
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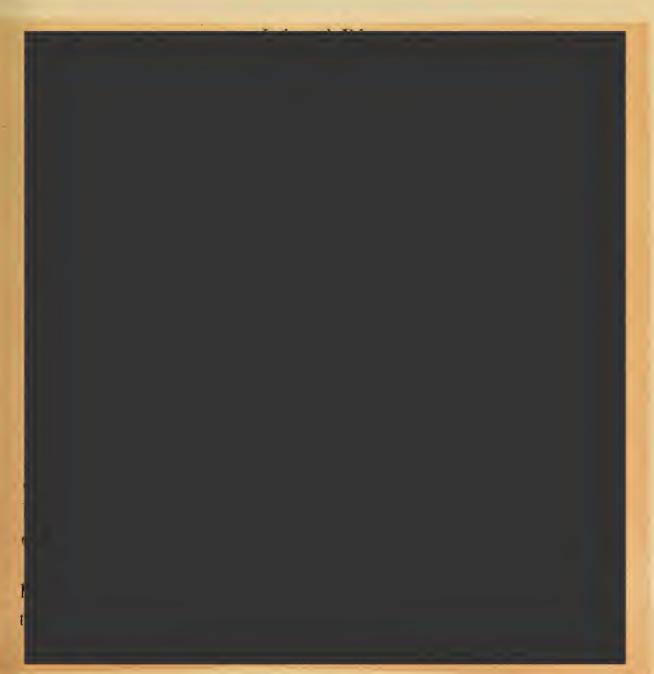


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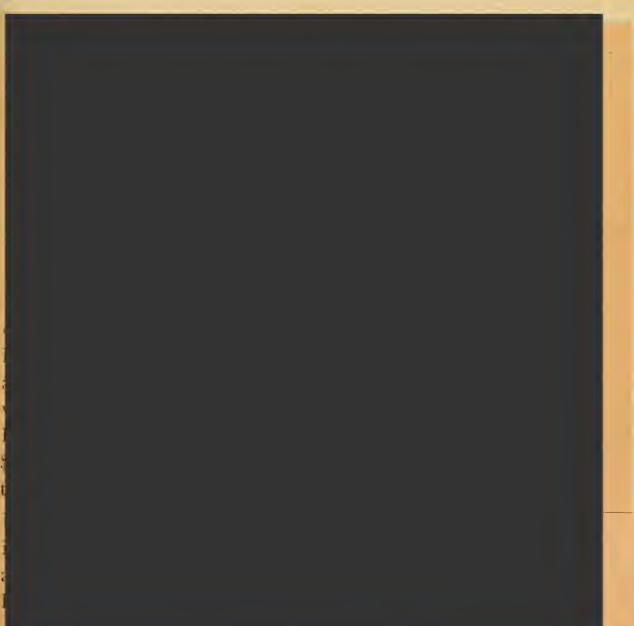




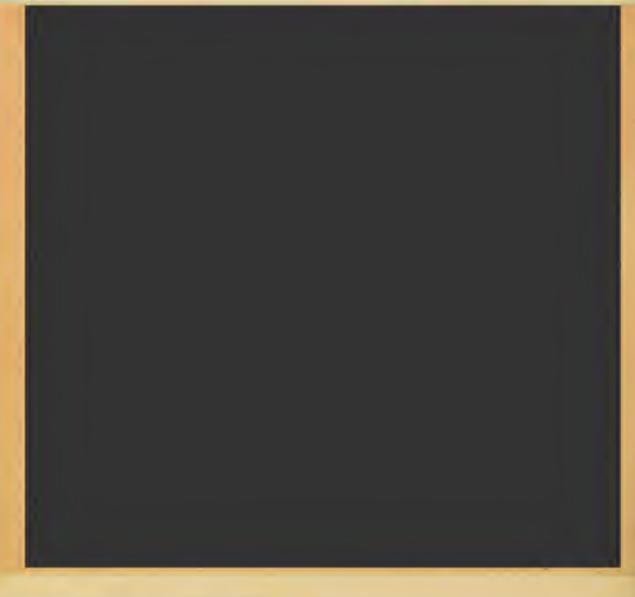


From the Dr. French Collection

Originally priced by the Sheraton at 40000 Purchass of from Sheritan 1947



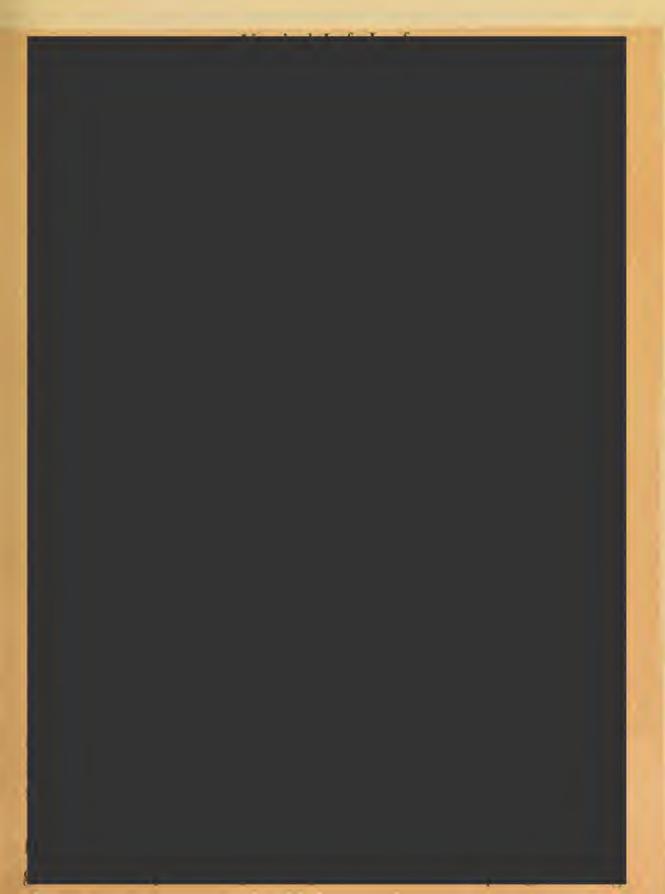
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W.S. Lange Cents

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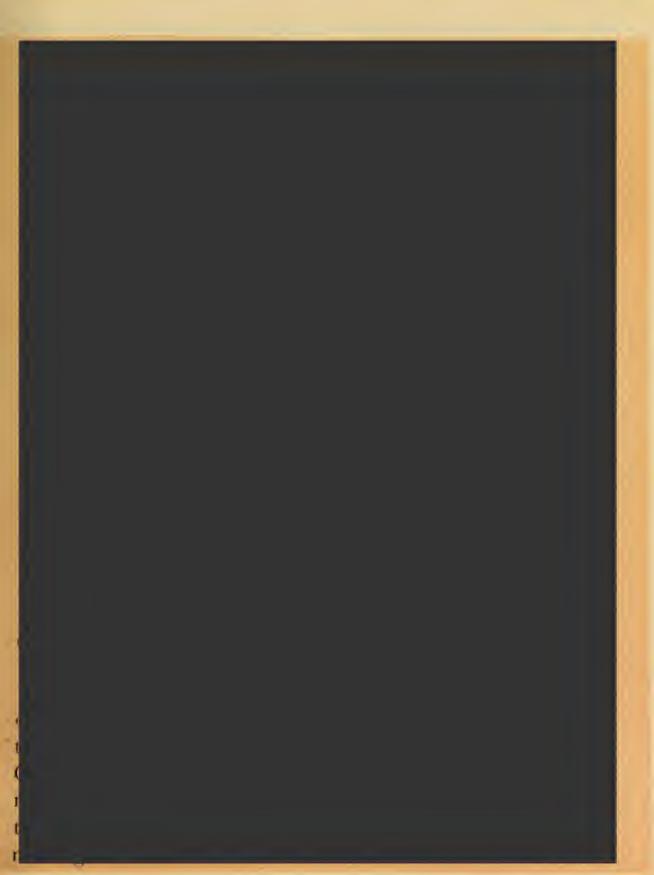
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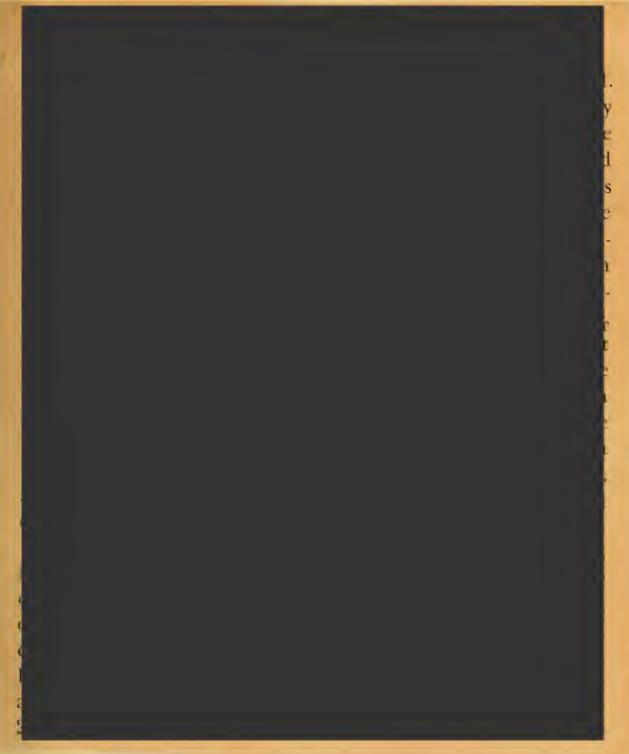


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Smith Counterfeits



U. S. Large Cents 1793.



Five varieties exist. 3 obv and 2 Rev. dies:

Die break variations. No breaks, although the reverse die must have been considerably bent, or convexed, to have produced so marked a blotting out of the center of the coin. Reverse K is rare, not over two dozen impressions of it being known to me all told, and among these I can recall only four instances in which ONE could fairly be called legible. In all other cases the center is so obliterated that you can read the words only by knowing that they are there. The defect in the die possibly accounts for the shortness of its life, or the paucity of its use. A number of electrotypes are in existence.

R-6. Basal value \$15. If a population of twelve is taken as the limit for R-7, this variety does not quite qualify. Probably twenty are known. I can recall 11 different examples that I have owned and four that I have not owned.

To my knowledge, however, only a single specimen is known in Fine condition. This is the coin illustrated and owned by Crosby, who got it at the Woodward sale in 1888. Later it turned up in the Dr. French collection (Lot 14 in the French catalogue), and finally was bought for Ans. This coin is about AU-50 and is worth possibly \$750. The second best one I have seen is about VG-10 and was bought from Chapman twenty years ago at \$150. 12-K's turn up frequently, but almost always in Poor or Fair condition, and they generally bring about \$15 per unit of condition. In bidding on this variety the inexperienced collector should be wary of such descriptions as "Fine for coin," "Very Fine but buried a long time ago," etc.

CONDITION CENSUS, 50-6.



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U.S. Lange Cents -1793-



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This coin has also been in the DnW Sheldon and the Sheraton Collections. It sold for 250 - in the Convention of 1947. It was priced by the Sheraton at 50000.



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776—Cr. 12-L. Liberty Cap cent. Strictly V.F. An even, medium olive surface. Not often excelled. From the Henry C. Hines collection. (R-4. 25 x \$10.00.)

I now have it, for 3000 Beautiful

U.S. Lange Cents -1793-



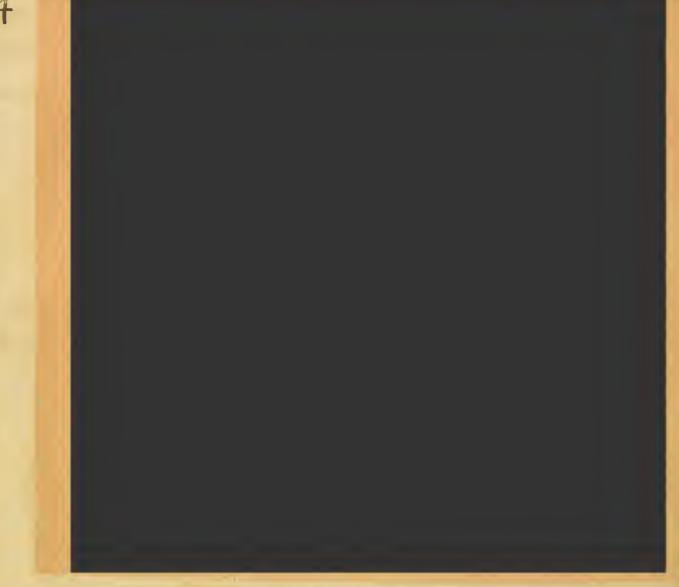
From the Henry Hines Collection

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This speciman is one of the ten finest known. It was Hines' finest 93 hiberty Capot the 12-L Variety.

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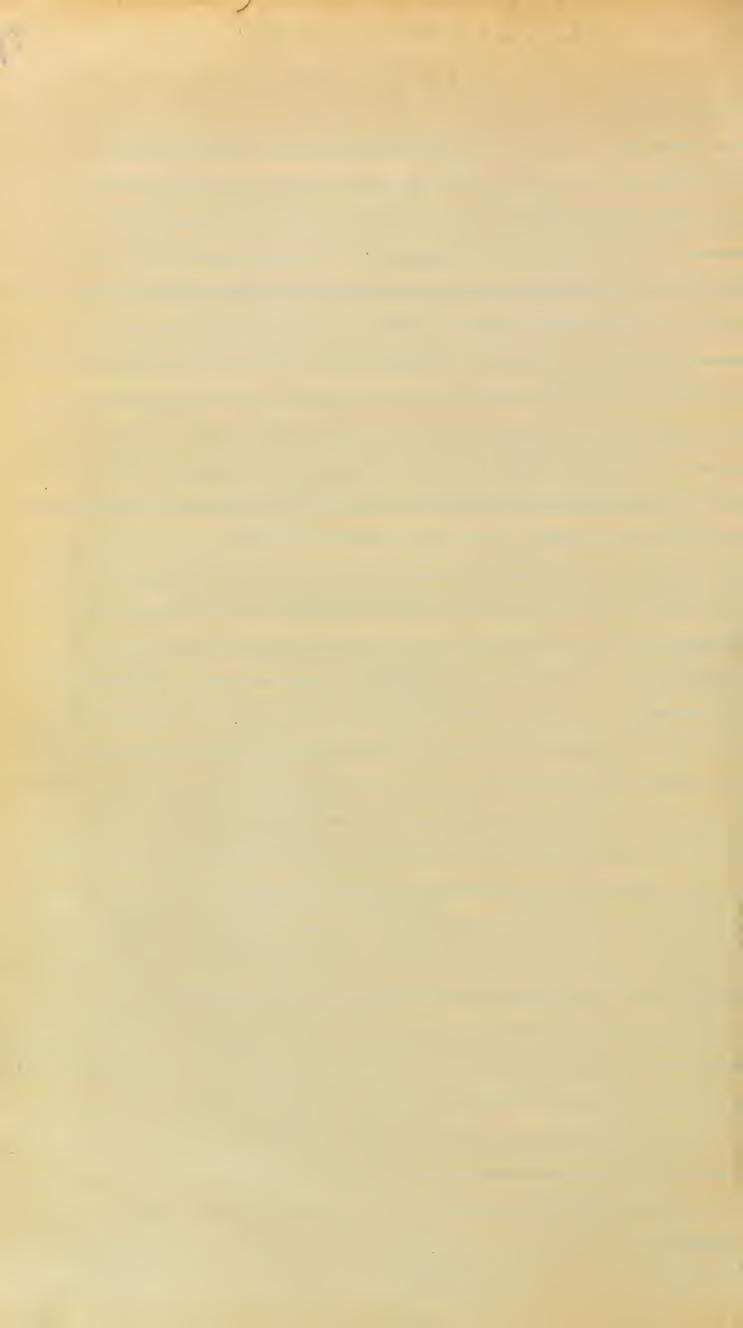
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W.S. Lange Cents -1793 -

D C 14L S 14L



5 2nd Group leaves from tot right is double group. All others except C52 X are triple. 36 leaves like shears; 52 leaves almost parallel. Broken Head W * 1 2nd group leaves from right is double - all other nos triple execut CSG. This of double group - leaves almost parallel - SG like shears. No Fraction Line Githout Fraction Line Praction Shaper & Drop at bottom of S. DB from Border above S To Last A. Breag three 3 to Last A. Identifying teatures Style 15. 7 7 Ro48 53 46 33 15. 7 7 Ro48 53 46 33 15. 5. 6 7 1449 52 45 32 15. 5. 9 6 50 26 9 6 15. 5. 19 42 7 8 2 45 12 8 56 56 51 36 59 59 56 39 53 58 54 38 50 50 76 45251 4931

Data on the 1794 Cents

Number Minted. Said to be 918,521
All are same type "Liberty Cap"; all have lettered edges to the effect "One Hundred to a dollar". Six general styles exist accord to Chapman and 59 die varities, some which are extremely rare; The year itself is common, and these cents are rare only in uncirculated condition, or very fine. The rare die variety. Only one or two spece exist for some die varieties.

The 94 Cent claims the greatest population die variety collectors, as the is the year most collected. Most outstanding edlection in the world. The Clopp Collection, Americanis. Society Museum. Dr Watt. Sheldon N.Y. probably has finest outside the Clopp Collection on these cents. "Dr Sheldon best living a rity. Many fancy names have been given the various varieties, particularly by Dr. Maris, such as Young Head; Coquette; Many Harford for the Ornate. Short Bust; Patagon etc. (See Doughty pp 15)

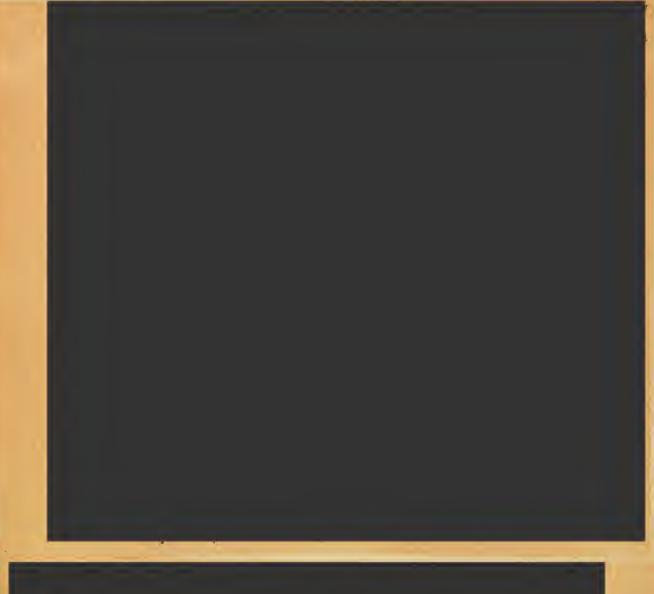
smaller Bustste Rounder Style

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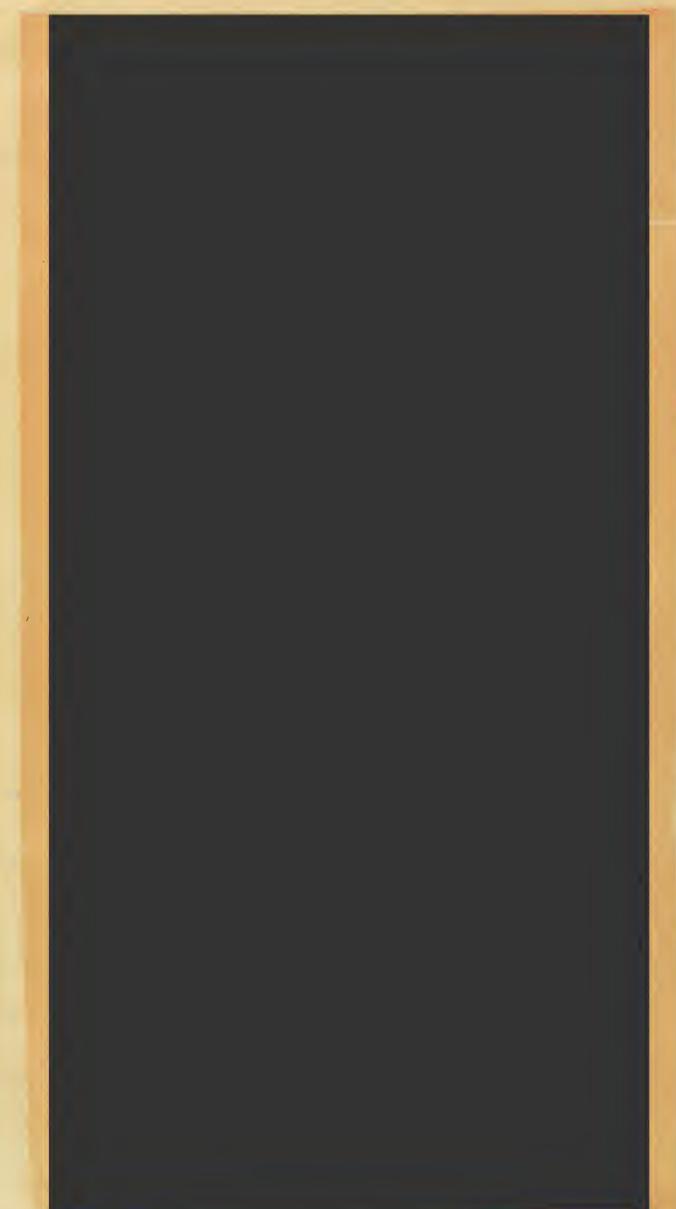
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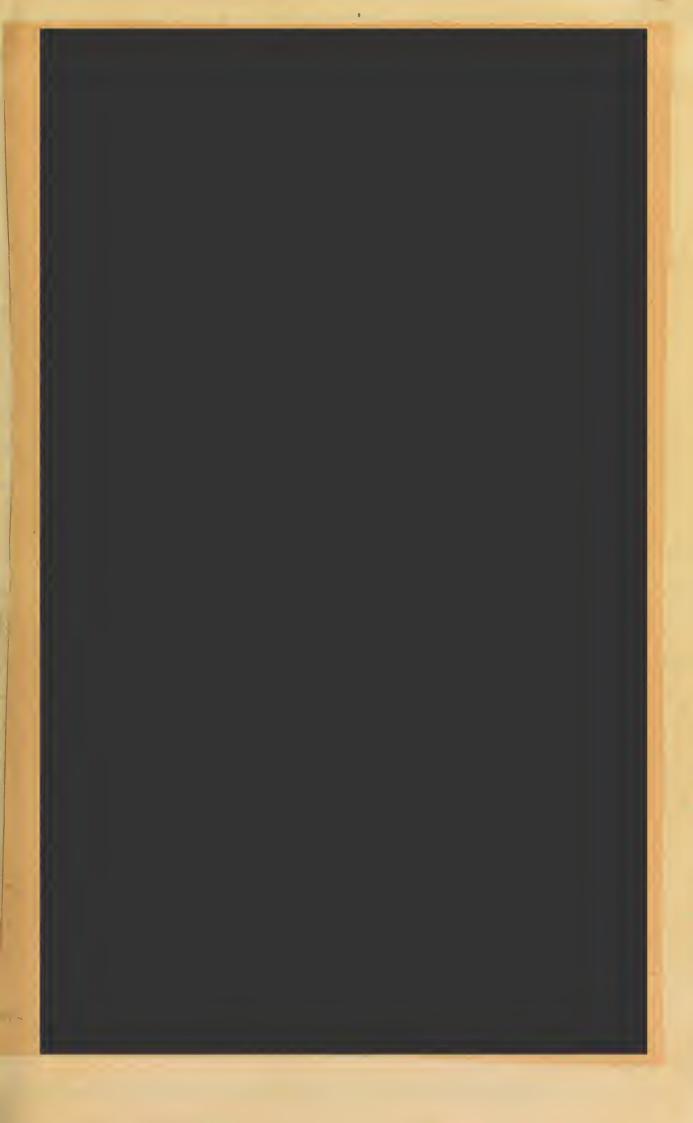
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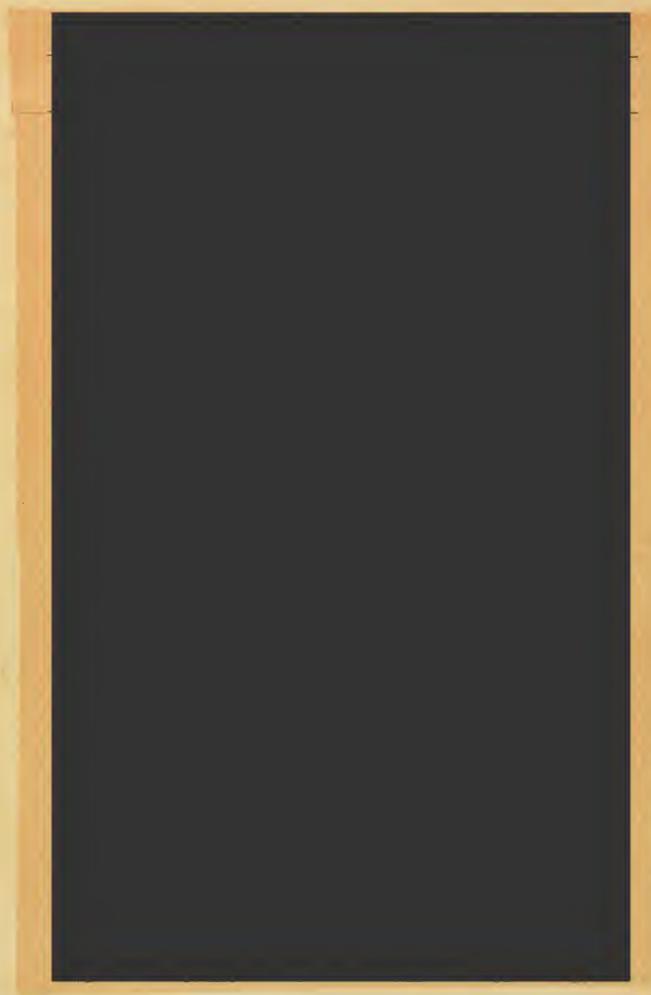
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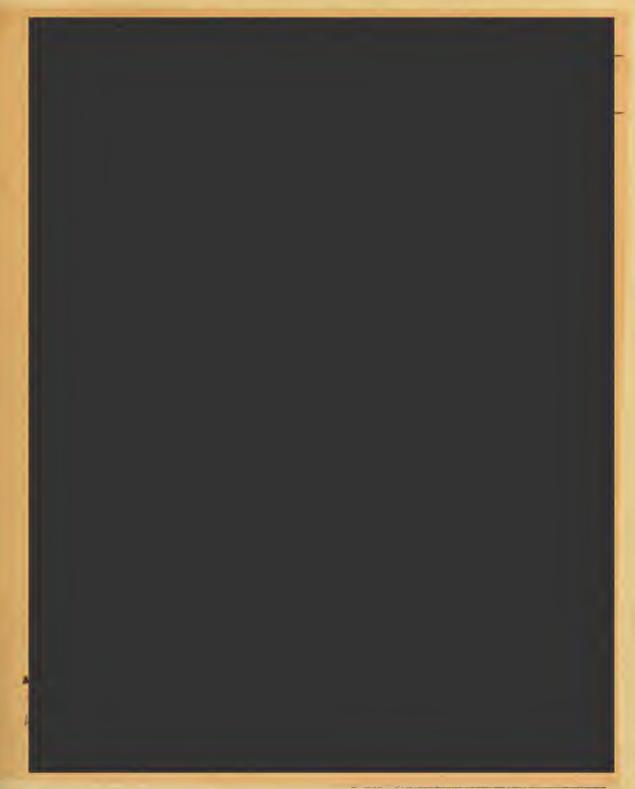


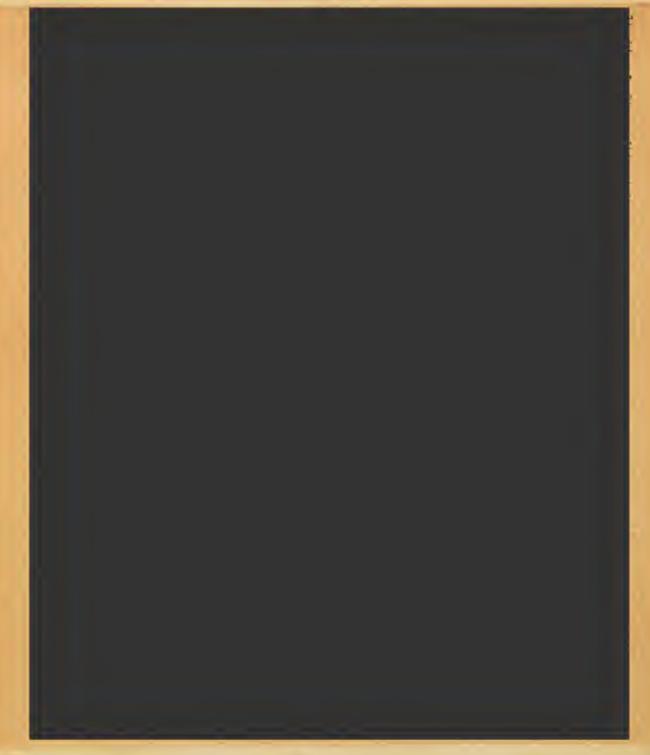










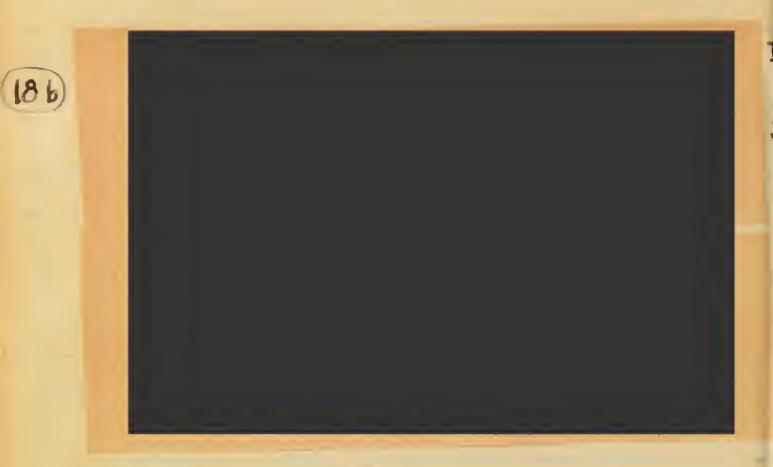




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Wide Straight Date - Severed Publisher

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U.S. Large Cents -1794-





U. S. Lange Cents
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'93 Head - Ered Tolland



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U.S. Lange Cents - 1794 -





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U.S. Lange Cents Close Straight Date - Close Legend



U.S. Large Cents -1794-



U.S. Large Cents 1794 Flat Pole - Close herend

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U.S. Large Cents -1794-







U.S. Large Cents Bent Hairhock 1794 - Mounded Reverse

D S 5C

U.S. Lange Cents



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Hays Coin

U.S. Lange Cerits
Shattered Obverse- Touching Numerator

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U.S. Lange Cents Scarred Head - Fouching Number

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U.S. Large Cents
Separated Date- Touching Barrier

D S 8E



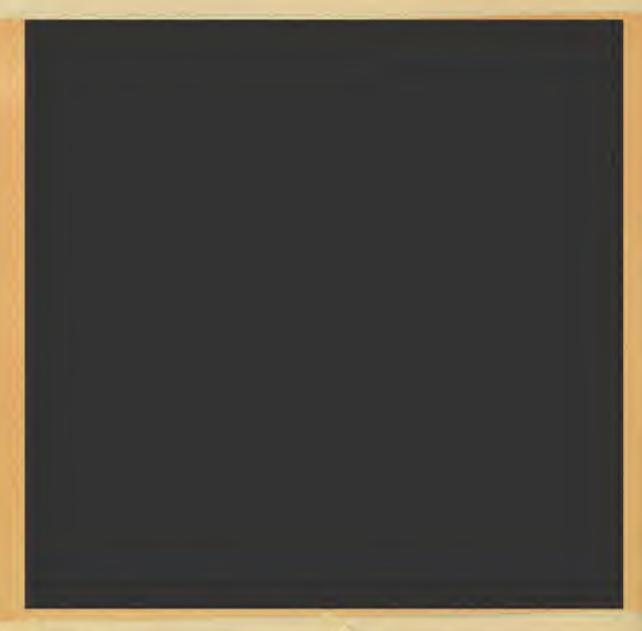


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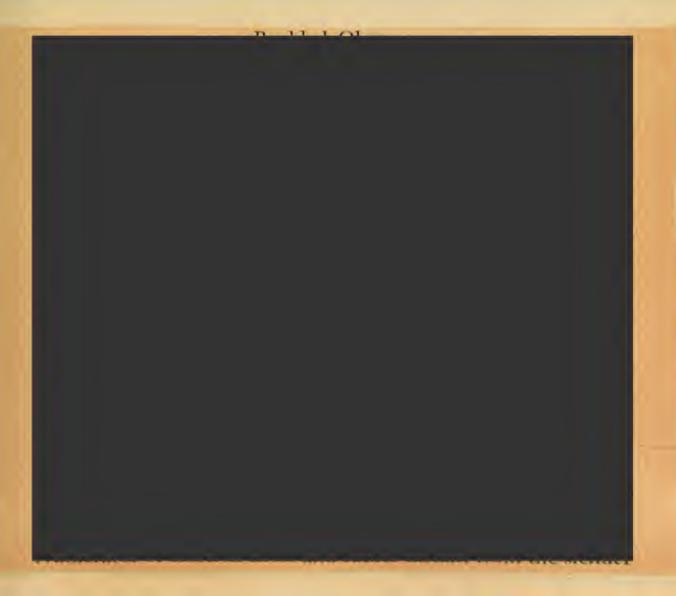
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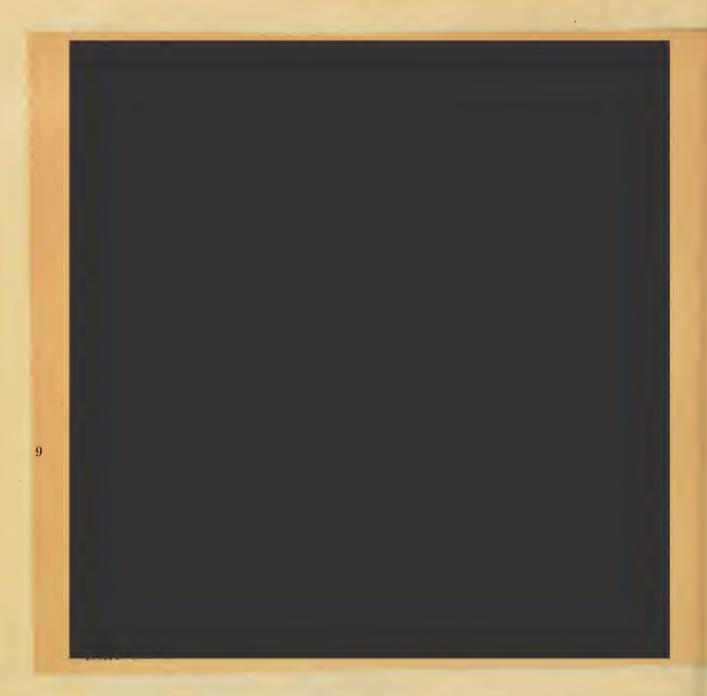


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U.S. Large Cents -1794 -







U.S. Lange Cents
1794
Vertical hocks- Invisible Berry

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U.S. Large Cents Vertical hocks - Tailed Ribbon

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Marred Field 1794-Tailed Tibles

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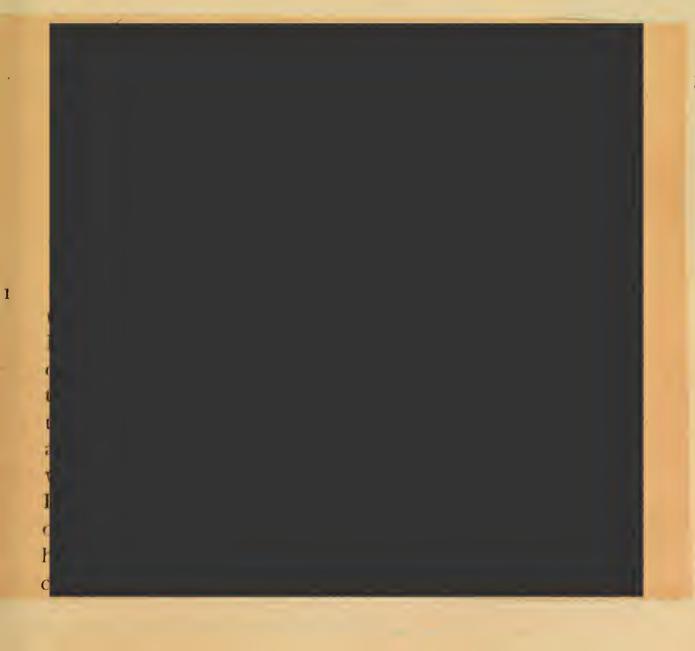


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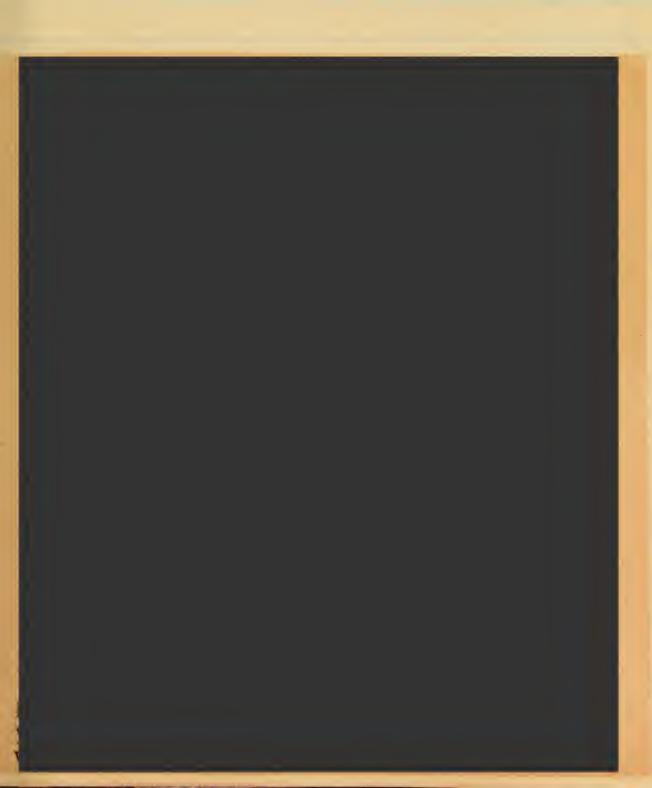




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Upturned Locks - Severed that



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U.S. Large Cents Crooked Date Severed Knot

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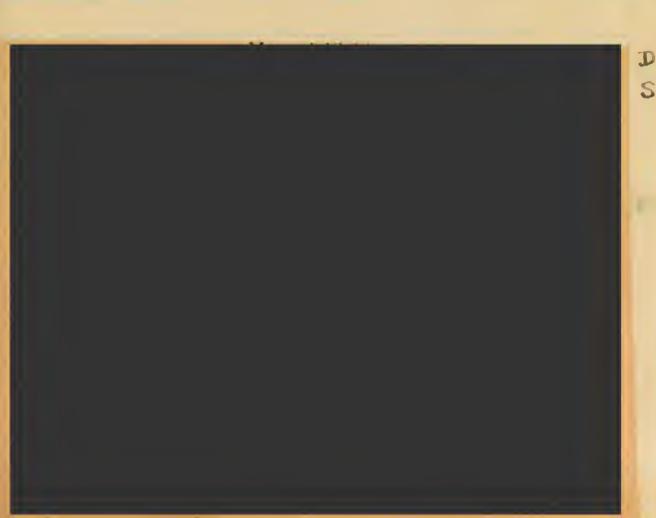
U.S. Lange Cents Dripping Gob - Lone Low Borry





From the Gilbert, French, Hines, Sheldon Shenaton Collections One of three finest known.

The Dripping Cap Variety
This is the only one of the Marred Field
types that has a reverse with 6 bernies on
leftstem and 7 bernies on night. A particularly hard variety to procure.



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Dripping Cap-Sprawled Ribban.



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Dripping Cap - Sprung Die





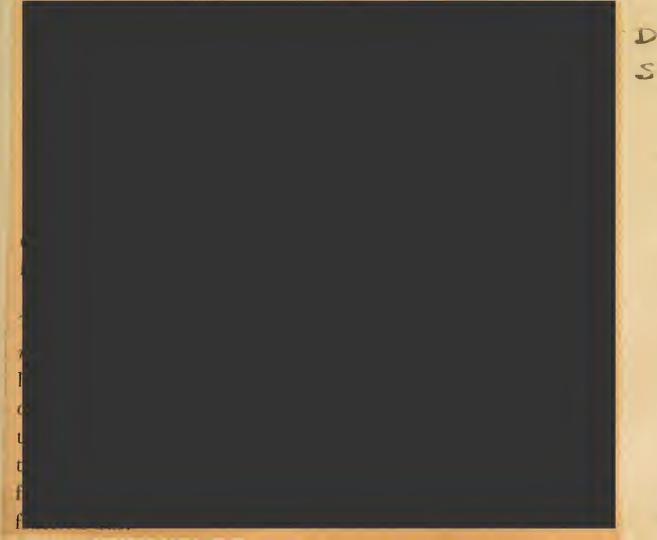
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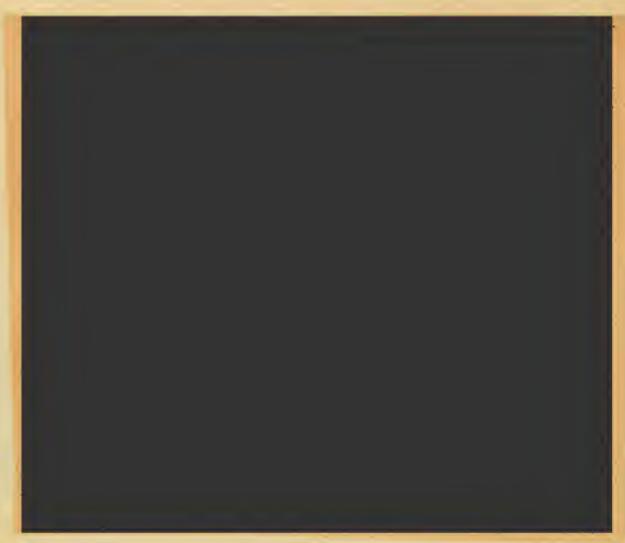
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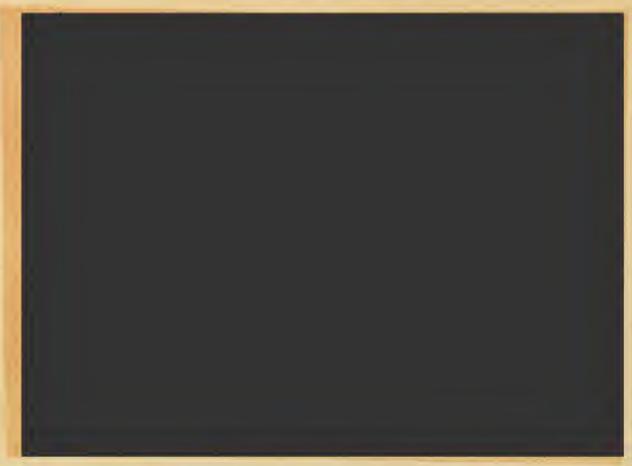




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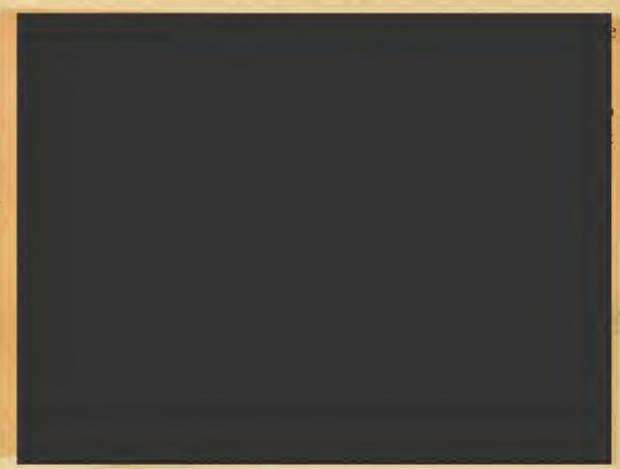








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The Sheldon Specimen



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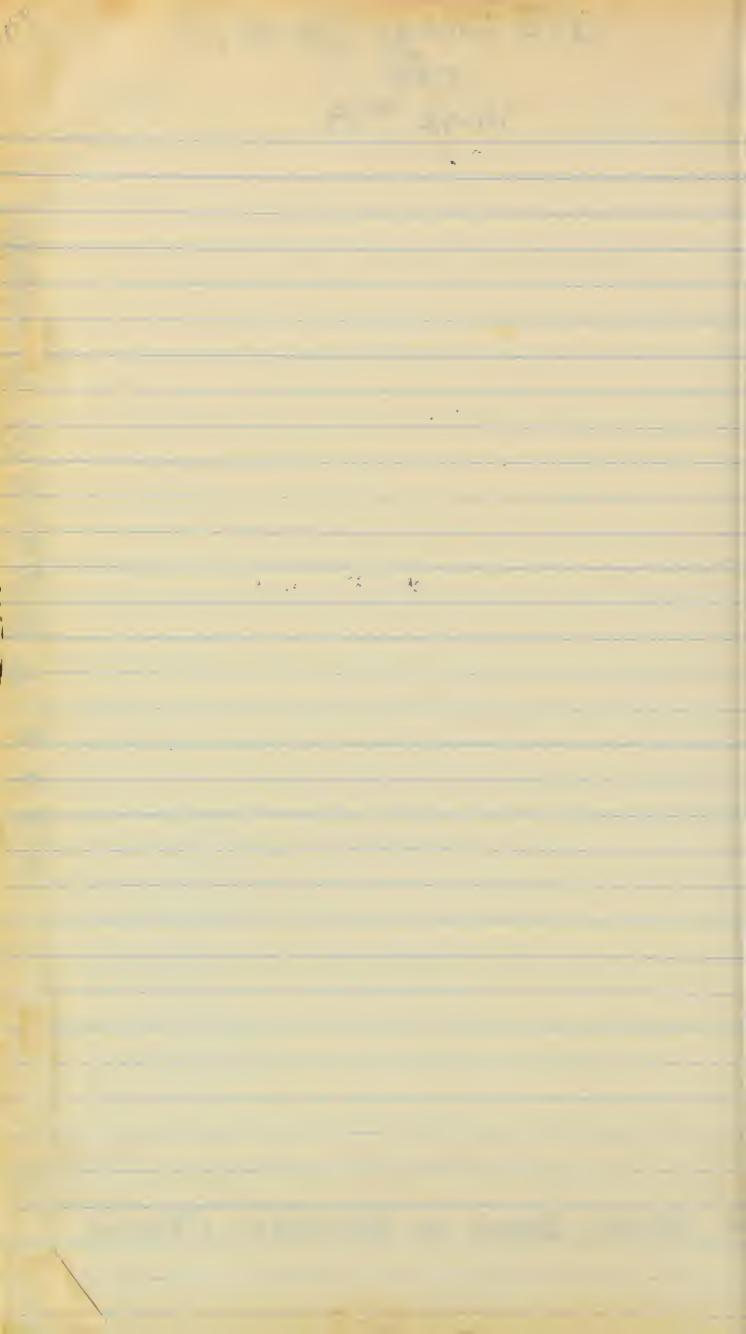


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34 Small Stars on Reverse (Rare)



Hays *8 Store located as follows: 25型* 58ª × 854 + 944 4

Hays 8.



From the Henry Hines Collection



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D S- 22 X

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8 23 X



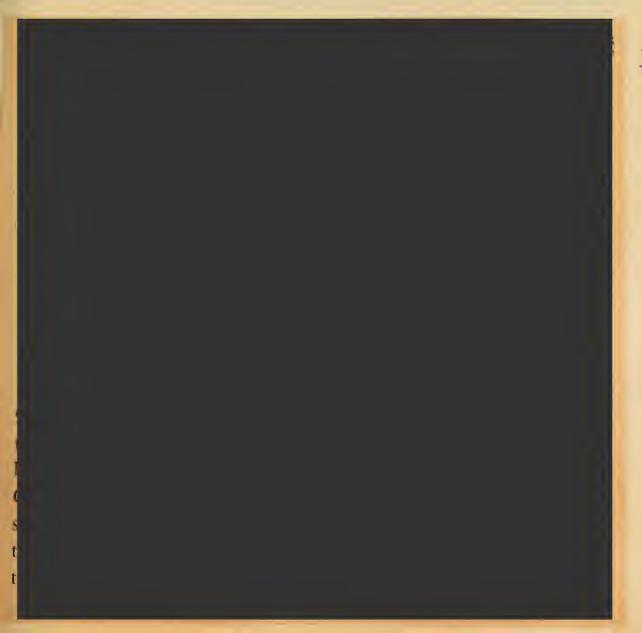
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S 25 X



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S 26 Y



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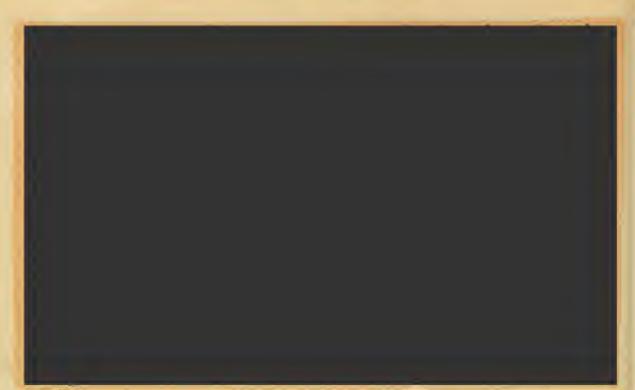






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S-48BB







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D S 29EE





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D S 30EE







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D-S 31FF

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Without DB.

The Missing Fraction Bar Variety
This is only variety without a fraction bar



D S 32 GG





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Cracked Reverse last stage

The "Americ" Variety



D S 32HH







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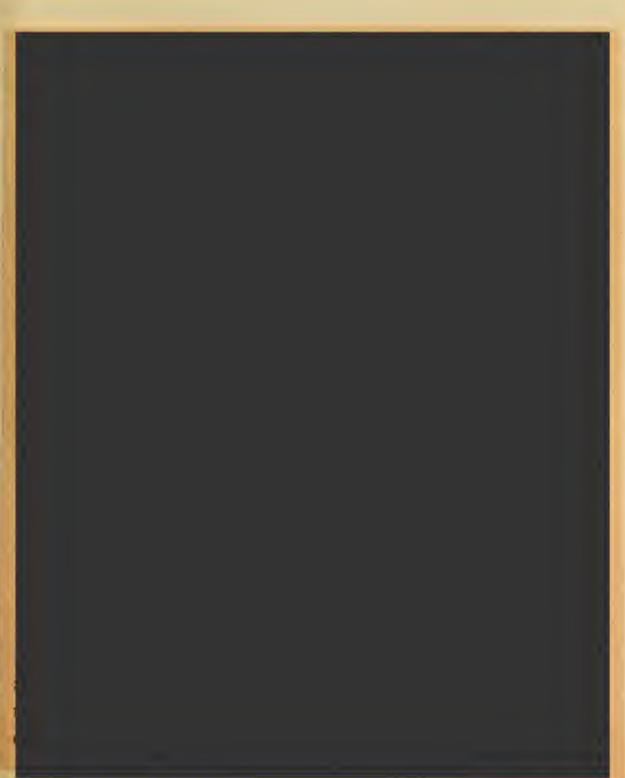




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"Unicorn" Variety



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